

House Bill 1518

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local boards of education, so as to require written notification by a local board of education of any breach of security relating to the unauthorized access of social security numbers of students and employees; to provide for a definition; to provide for delayed notice in certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local boards of education, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:

"20-2-71.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'breach of the security of the system' means unauthorized acquisition of computerized data maintained by a local school system or individual school that compromises the security or confidentiality of the social security number of one or more students or employees.

(b) A local board of education shall give notice of any breach of the security of the system following discovery or notification of such breach to every student or employee whose social security number was, or is reasonably believed to have been, acquired by an unauthorized person. The notice shall be made in writing in the most expedient time possible but in no event later than 20 days after discovery or notification of the breach, except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this Code section.

(c) The notification required by this Code section may be delayed if a law enforcement agency determines that the notification will compromise a criminal investigation; provided, however, that the notification required in subsection (b) of this Code section shall be made as soon as reasonably possible after the law enforcement agency determines that it will not compromise the investigation."

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2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.